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Description

Generic class for the beta and delta parameters.

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show(object)

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print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'BetaDeltaPrior'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	The BetaDeltaPrior object.
x	The BetaDeltaPrior object.
...	Ignored.

Value

show and print: The invisible object.

Fields

family The family of distributions of the prior.

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covariates_importance-class

Class for covariates importance matrices

Description

Objects of this class is the output of the "covariates_importance" object from the [pompp_fit-class](). It can be plotted which uses the [graphics]() package. The print method gives a point-wise estimation, the same seen in the bacplot method. Both plot and boxplot methods use the posterior distribution of the importance.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'covariates_importance'
print(x, component = "intensity", ...)

## S3 method for class 'covariates_importance'
plot(
  x,
  component = "intensity",
  y = "importance",
  quantiles = c(0.025, 0.5, 0.975),
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'covariates_importance'
barplot(height, component = "intensity", y, ...)

## S3 method for class 'covariates_importance'
boxplot(x, component = "intensity", ...)
```

Arguments

x	The covariates_importance object.
component	Either "intensity", "observability" or "both".
...	Other parameters passed to [boxplot]().
y	Either "interval" or "density". The formal gives vertical credible intervals, and the latter gives separate density plots with the specified quantiles as vertical lines.
quantiles	A 2- or 3-simensional vector with the desired quantiles specified. If 3-dimensiona, the middle point is drawn as a dot when the y parameter is set as "interval".
height	The covariates_importance object.

Details

Objects of this class have two matrices where the Monte Carlo samples on the rows and parameters on the columns. One matrix is for the intensity importance and the other for the observability importance.

Value

The invisible object.

Nothing is returned. Plot is called and drawn on the configured device.

A barplot. See barplot for details. If component is selected as "both", only the second barplot is returned.

A boxplot. See boxplot for details. If component is selected as "both", only the second boxplot is returned.

See Also

barplot.

boxplot.

| fit_pompp | *Fit presence-only data using the Presence-Only for Marked Point Process model* |

Description

The model uses a data augmentation scheme to avoid performing approximations on the likelihood function.

Usage

```
fit_pompp(
  object,
  background,
  mcmc_setup = list(iter = 5000),
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_model,matrix'
fit_pompp(
  object,
  background,
  neighborhoodSize = 20,
  mcmc_setup,
  verbose = TRUE,
  area = 1,
```

```
    cores = parallel::detectCores(),
    ...
)
```

```
checkFormatBackground(object, background)
```

Arguments

object	Either a `pompp_model` or `pompp_fit` object. If a model, then the model is fit according to specifications. If a fit, then the model used to fit the model is recovered and used to continue the MCMC calculations where the previous one left off.
background	A matrix where the rows are the grid cells for the studied region and the columns are the covariates. `NA`s must be removed. If the function is being used on a `pompp_fit` object, the background must be exactly the same as the one used in the original fit.
mcmc_setup	A list containing `iter` to inform the model how many iterations are to be run. The list may optionally contain the objects.
verbose	Set to `FALSE` to suppress all messages to console.
...	Parameters passed on to specific methods. `burnin` and `thin` to inform these instructions as well.
neighborhoodSize	
	Number of neighbors to use in the NNGP method.
area	A positive number with the studied region's area.
cores	Number of cores to pass to OpenMP.

Details

The background is kept outside of the

Value

An object of class `"pompp_fit"`.

See Also

[pompp_model](#) and [pompp_fit-class](#).

Examples

```
beta <- c(-1, 2) # Intercept = -1. Only one covariate
delta <- c(3, 4) # Intercept = 3. Only one covariate
lambdaStar <- 1000
gamma <- 2
mu <- 5

total_points <- rpois(1, lambdaStar)
random_points <- cbind(runif(total_points), runif(total_points))
```

```
grid_size <- 50

# Find covariate values to explain the species occurrence.
# We give them a Gaussian spatial structure.
reg_grid <- as.matrix(expand.grid(seq(0, 1, len = grid_size), seq(0, 1, len = grid_size)))
Z <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, total_points + grid_size * grid_size),
  3 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(rbind(random_points, reg_grid))) / 0.2))
Z1 <- Z[1:total_points]; Z2 <- Z[-(1:total_points)]

# Thin the points by comparing the retaining probabilities with uniforms
# in the log scale to find the occurrences
occurrences <- log(runif(total_points)) <= -log1p(exp(-beta[1] - beta[2] * Z1))
n_occurrences <- sum(occurrences)
occurrences_points <- random_points[occurrences,]
occurrences_Z <- Z1[occurrences]

# Find covariate values to explain the observation bias.
# Additionally create a regular grid to plot the covariate later.
W <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, n_occurrences + grid_size * grid_size),
  2 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(rbind(occurrences_points, reg_grid))) / 0.3))
W1 <- W[1:n_occurrences]; W2 <- W[-(1:n_occurrences)]
S <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, n_occurrences),
  2 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(occurrences_points)) / 0.3))

# Find the presence-only observations.
marks <- exp(mu + S + rnorm(n_occurrences, 0, 0.3))
po_sightings <- log(runif(n_occurrences)) <= -log1p(exp(-delta[1] - delta[2] * W1 - gamma * S))
n_po <- sum(po_sightings)
po_points <- occurrences_points[po_sightings, ]
po_Z <- occurrences_Z[po_sightings]
po_W <- W1[po_sightings]
po_marks <- marks[po_sightings]

jointPrior <- prior(
  NormalPrior(rep(0, 2), 10 * diag(2)), # Beta
NormalPrior(rep(0, 3), 10 * diag(3)), # Delta
GammaPrior(0.00001, 0.00001), # LambdaStar
NormalPrior(0, 100), GammaPrior(0.001, 0.001) # Marks
)

model <- pompp_model(po = cbind(po_Z, po_W, po_points, po_marks),
intensitySelection = 1, observabilitySelection = 2, marksSelection = 5,
                     coordinates = 3:4,
                     intensityLink = "logit", observabilityLink = "logit",
                     initial_values = 2, joint_prior = jointPrior)

bkg <- cbind(Z2, W2, reg_grid) # Create background

# Be prepared to wait a long time for this
fit <- fit_pompp(model, bkg, neighborhoodSize = 20, area = 1,
  mcmc_setup = list(burnin = 1000, iter = 2000), cores = 1)

summary(fit)
```

```
# Rhat upper CI values are above 1.1. More iterations are needed...
```

GammaPrior   *Create a Gamma prior object for model specification.*

Description

Constructor for `GammaPrior-class` objects

Usage

```
GammaPrior(shape, rate)
```

Arguments

shape   A positive number.

rate   A positive number.

Value

A `GammaPrior` object with adequate slots.

GammaPrior-class   *Gamma prior class for the LambdaStar parameter.*

Description

This is used to represent the prior for lambdaStar individually. It still needs to be joined with the prior for Beta and Delta to be used in a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaPrior'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'GammaPrior'
x$name

## S4 replacement method for signature 'GammaPrior'
x$name <- value

## S4 method for signature 'GammaPrior'
show(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'GammaPrior'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'GammaPrior'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	The GammaPrior object.
name	The requested slot.
value	New value.
object	The GammaPrior object.
...	Ignored.

Value

`names`: A character vector with the prior parameters.

'`$`' The requested slot's value.

'`$<-`': The new object with the updated slot.

`show` and `print`: The invisible object.

Fields

`shape` The shape parameter of the Gamma distribution.

`rate` The rate parameter of the Gamma distribution.

See Also

[prior](#)

Examples

```
GammaPrior(0.0001, 0.0001)
```

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initial	*Initial values constructor for pompp modeling*

Description

Helper function to create a valid set of initial values to be used with the fit_pompp function.

Usage

```
initial(
  beta = numeric(),
  delta = numeric(),
  lambdaStar = numeric(),
  marksMean = numeric(),
  marksPrecision = numeric(),
  random = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

beta	Either a vector or a single integer. The vector is used if the initial values are provided and the integer is used as the vector size to be randomly generated.
delta	Either a vector or a single integer. The vector is used if the initial values are provided and the integer is used as the vector size to be randomly generated.
lambdaStar	A positive number.
marksMean	Any real number. If random, defines the mean of the random value.
marksPrecision	A positive number. If random, defines the mean of the random value.
random	A logical value. If TRUE, then the initial values are generated from standard normal distribution for beta and delta and from a Beta(lambdaStar, 1) for lambdaStar. The latter is generated as a low value due to potential explosive values resulting from background area scaling.

Value

A pompp_initial object. It can be used in the fit_pompp function by itself, but must be in a list if multiple initial values are supplied. Initial values can be combined by adding them (with the use of +).

See Also

pompp_initial-class.

Examples

```
# Let us create initial values for a model with, say, 3 intensity covariates
# and 4 observability covariates. We add an initial values for both these
# cases due to the intercepts.

# This first one is
in1 <- initial(rep(0, 4), c(0, 2, -1, -2, 3), 100, 0, 1)

# Then we initalize some randomly.
in2 <- initial(4, 5, 100, 0, 1, random = TRUE)

# We can even multiply the random one to generate more. Let us join them all
# to include in a model.
```

```
initial_values <- in1 + in2 * 3
# 4 chains are initialized.
```

LambdaStarPrior-class   *Generic class for the LambdaStar parameters.*

Description

Generic class for the LambdaStar parameters.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'LambdaStarPrior'
show(object)
```

Arguments

object   The LambdaStarPrior object.

Value

show and print: The invisible object.

Fields

family The family of distributions of the prior.

NormalPrior   *Create a Normal prior object for model specification.*

Description

Constructor for NormalPrior-class objects

Usage

```
NormalPrior(mu, Sigma)
```

Arguments

mu   The mean vector for the Normal distribution.

Sigma   The covariance matrix for the Normal distribution.

Details

Matrix Sigma must be square and positive definite. Its dimensions must match mu's length.

Value

A `NormalPrior` object with adequate slots.

See Also

prior

Examples

```
NormalPrior(rep(0, 10), diag(10) * 10)
```

NormalPrior-class   *Normal prior class for Beta and Delta parameters.*

Description

This is used to represent the prior for Beta and Delta individually. They still need to be joined to be used in a model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'NormalPrior'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'NormalPrior'
x$name

## S4 replacement method for signature 'NormalPrior'
x$name <- value

## S4 method for signature 'NormalPrior'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'NormalPrior'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'NormalPrior'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	The NormalPrior object.
name	The requested slot.
value	New value.
object	The NormalPrior object.
...	Ignored.

Value

names: A character vector with the prior parameters.

'$': The requested slot's value.

'$<-': The new object with the updated slot.

show and print: The invisible object.

Fields

mu The mean vector for the prior.

Sigma The covariance matrix for the prior.

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pompp_fit-class   *Class for the result of the MCMC procedure.*

Description

Objects of this class are the main objects of this package. They contain much information about the fitted model.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
print(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
summary(object, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
summary(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
names(x)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit,ANY,ANY'
x[[i]]
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
x$name

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
as.array(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
as.array(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
as.matrix(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
as.matrix(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_fit'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit,pompp_fit'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_fit'
c(x, ...)
```

Arguments

object	A pompp_fit object.
x	A pompp_fit object.
...	Ignored in this version.
i	The requested slot.
name	The requested slot.
row.names	NULL or a character vector giving the row names for the data frame. Missing values are not allowed.
optional	logical. If TRUE, setting row names and converting column names to syntactic names is optional. See help('as.data.frame') for more. Leaving as FALSE is recommended.
e1	A pompp_fit object.
e2	A pompp_fit object with the same slots (except for initial values) as e1.

Value

show and print: The invisible object.

summary: A matrix with the summary statistics of the fit. It is also printed in the print method. The summary can be treated as a matrix, such as retrieving rows/columns and creating tables with the xtable package.

names: A character vector with the available options for the `$` and `[[` methods.

'$' and '[[': The requested slot. Available options are not necessarily the class slots, and can be checked with the names method.

as.array: An array with dimensions I x C x P, where I stands for number of iterations, C for number of chains and P for total number of parameters. P is actually larger than the number of parameters in the model, as the the generated sizes of the latent processes and the log-posterior are also included. This is organized so that is ready for the bayesplot package functions.

as.matrix: The dimension of the output is I * C x (P + 2), where I stands for number of iterations, C for number of chains and P for total number of parameters. P is actually larger than the number of parameters in the model, as the generated sizes of the latent processes and the log-posterior are also included.

Two extra columns are included to indicate to which chain and to which iteration that draw belongs.

as.data.frame: The dimension of the output is I*C x P + 2, where I stands for number of iterations, C for number of chains and P for total number of parameters. P is actually larger than the number of parameters in the model, as the generated sizes of the latent processes and the log-posterior are also included.

Two extra columns are included to indicate to which chain and to which iteration that draw belongs. This is to facilitate the use of plotting results via the ggplot2 package if desired.

If row.names is left at NULL then row names are created as CcIi where c is the chain and i is the iteration of that row.

+: A new pompp_fit object where the chains are combined into a new multi-chain object. This can be used if chains are run in separate occasions or computers to combine them into a single object for analysis.

c: A new pompp_fit object where the chains are combined into a new multi-chain object. The + method is used for that, with the same arguments restrictions and results.

Fields

fit   The actual fit from the model. It is an object of class mcmc.list, as generated from the coda package.

original   The model used to generate the chains, an object with class pompp_model.

backgroundSummary   A small summary of the original background covariates. This is to ensure that continuing the chains will use the identical background matrix. Only the summary is kept for storage efficiency.

area   A positive number indicating the area measure of the region being studied.

parnames   The names of the parameters. If the model used selects the covariates with column names, they are replicated here. If they are the column indexes, names are generated for identification.

mcmc_setup   The original mcmc setup used.

See Also

fit_pompp

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pompp_initial-class   *Class for the initial values for the MCMC for the pompp package*

Description

Class for the initial values for the MCMC for the pompp package

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial'
x$name

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial,ANY'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'list,pompp_initial'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial,list'
e1 + e2

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial,numeric'
e1 * e2

## S4 method for signature 'numeric,pompp_initial'
e1 * e2

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_initial'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_initial'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	The pompp_initial object.
name	The requested slot.

e1	A pompp_initial object.
e2	Another pompp_initial object or a list with pompp_initial objects for **+** and a positive integer for *****. e1 and e2 can be switched (+ and * are commutative).
object	A pompp_initial object.
...	Currently unused.

Value

`names`: A character vector with the initialized parameter names.

'`$`': The requested initial value (in case of LambdaStar) or values (in case of Beta or Delta).

`+`: A list with the objects. Useful to start the `fit_pompp` function, as it requires a list of initial values.

`*`: A list with `e2` random initial values.

`show` and `print`: The invisible object.

Fields

`beta` Initial values for beta.

`delta` Initial values for delta.

`lambdaStar` Initial values for lambdaStar.

`tag` Indicates the source of the initial values.

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pompp_model   *Build a model to be used in the* pompp *fitting function*

Description

Constructor for `pompp_model`-class objects, built to facilitate the use of the fitting function. The output of this function has the necessary signature for the fit_pompp function to start the model fit.

Usage

```
pompp_model(
  po,
  intensitySelection,
  observabilitySelection,
  marksSelection,
  coordinates,
  intensityLink = "logit",
  observabilityLink = "logit",
  initial_values = 1,
 joint_prior = prior(beta = NormalPrior(rep(0, length(intensitySelection) + 1), 10 *
    diag(length(intensitySelection) + 1)), delta = NormalPrior(rep(0,
  length(observabilitySelection) + 1), 10 * diag(length(observabilitySelection) + 1)),
```

```
    lambdaStar = GammaPrior(1e-10, 1e-10), marksMean = NormalPrior(1, 100),
    marksPrecision = GammaPrior(0.001, 0.001)),
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

po	A matrix whose rows represent the presence-only data and the columns the covariates observed at each position.
intensitySelection	
	Either a numeric or character vector and represents the selection of covariates used for the intensity set. If numeric it is the positions of the columns and if character, the names of the columns.
observabilitySelection	
	Either a numeric or character vector and represents the selection of covariates used for the observability set. If numeric it is the positions of the columns and if character, the names of the columns.
marksSelection	Either a numeric or character vector and represents the selection of column used for the marks. If numeric it is the position of the column and if character, the name of the column.
coordinates	Either a numeric or character vector and represents the columns to be used for the coordinates. If numeric it is the positions of the columns and if character, the names of the columns. They must be in longitude, latitude order.
intensityLink	A string to inform what link function the model has with respect to the intensity covariates. Current version accepts 'logit'.
observabilityLink	
	A string to inform what link function the model has with respect to the observabilitycovariates. Current version accepts 'logit'.
initial_values	Either a single integer, a single pompp_initial-class or a list containing pompp_initial-class objects. The length of the list will inform the model how many independent chains will be run. If an integer, that many initial values will be randomly generated.
joint_prior	A pompp_prior object.
verbose	Set to FALSE to suppress all messages to console.

Value

A pompp_model object with the requested slots. It is ready to be used in the fit_pompp function.

See Also

[initial](), [prior]() and [fit_pompp]().

Examples

```
# Let us simulate some data to showcase the creation of the model.
beta <- c(-1, 2)
```

```
delta <- c(3, 4)
lambdaStar <- 1000
gamma <- 2
mu <- 5

total_points <- rpois(1, lambdaStar)
random_points <- cbind(runif(total_points), runif(total_points))

# Find covariate values to explain the species occurrence.
# We give them a Gaussian spatial structure.
Z <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, total_points), 3 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(random_points)) / 0.2))

# Thin the points by comparing the retaining probabilities with uniforms
# in the log scale to find the occurrences
occurrences <- log(runif(total_points)) <= -log1p(exp(-beta[1] - beta[2] * Z))
n_occurrences <- sum(occurrences)
occurrences_points <- random_points[occurrences,]
occurrences_Z <- Z[occurrences]

# Find covariate values to explain the observation bias.
# Additionally create a regular grid to plot the covariate later.
W <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, n_occurrences), 2 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(occurrences_points)) / 0.3))
S <- MASS::mvrnorm(1, rep(0, n_occurrences), 2 * exp(-as.matrix(dist(occurrences_points)) / 0.3))

# Find the presence-only observations.
marks <- exp(mu + S + rnorm(n_occurrences, 0, 0.3))
po_sightings <- log(runif(n_occurrences)) <= -log1p(exp(-delta[1] - delta[2] * W - gamma * S))
n_po <- sum(po_sightings)
po_points <- occurrences_points[po_sightings, ]
po_Z <- occurrences_Z[po_sightings]
po_W <- W[po_sightings]
po_marks <- marks[po_sightings]

# Now we create the model
model <- pompp_model(po = cbind(po_Z, po_W, po_points, po_marks),
  intensitySelection = 1, observabilitySelection = 2,
  marksSelection = 5, coordinates = 3:4,
  intensityLink = "logit", observabilityLink = "logit",
  initial_values = 2, joint_prior = prior(
    NormalPrior(rep(0, 2), 10 * diag(2)),
    NormalPrior(rep(0, 3), 10 * diag(3)),
    GammaPrior(1e-4, 1e-4),
    NormalPrior(0, 100), GammaPrior(0.001, 0.001)))
# Check how it is.
model
```

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pompp_model-class   *Class that defines a model for the pompp package.*

Description

The model includes the presence-only data, all selected variables, the link functions for q and p, the initial values and the prior distribution.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'pompp_model'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_model'
x$name

## S4 replacement method for signature 'pompp_model'
x$name <- value

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_model'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_model'
print(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'pompp_model'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	The pompp_model object.
name	The requested slot.
value	New value.
object	The pompp_model object.
...	Currently unused.

Value

`names`: A character vector with possible options for the `$` and `$<-` methods.

'$': The requested slot's value.

'$<-': The new object with the updated slot.

`show` and `print`: The invisible object.

Fields

po The matrix containing the covariates values for the data.

intensityLink A string informing about the chosen link for the intensity covariates. Current acceptable choice is only "logit".

intensitySelection A vector containing the indexes of the selected intensity columns in the po matrix.

observabilityLink A string informing about the chosen link for the observability covariates. Current acceptable choice is only "logit".

observabilitySelection A vector containing the indexes of the selected observability columns in the po matrix.

marksSelection A single value containing the index of the selected marks column in the po matrix.

coordinates A vector of two values containing the column positions of the longitude and latitude in the po matrix.

init A list with objects of class pompp_initial indicating the initial values for each chain. The length of this list tells the program how many chains are requested to be run.

prior An object of class pompp_prior which indicates the joint prior distribution for the model parameters.

iSelectedColumns If the intensity covariates selection was made with the name of the columns, they are stored in this slot.

oSelectedColumns If the observability covariates selection was made with the name of the columns, they are stored in this slot.

mSelectedColumns If the marks selection was made with the name of the column, it is stored in this slot.

See Also

[pompp_initial-class](#) and [pompp_prior-class](#) and [pompp_model](#)

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pompp_prior-class   *Joint prior class for the pompp package parameters*

Description

Objects of this class are the joining of independent priors for Beta, Delta and LambdaStar. They can be used in the fit_pompp function.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'pompp_prior'
names(x)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_prior'
x$name

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_prior'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_prior'
print(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'pompp_prior'
print(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'pompp_prior'
x$name

## S4 replacement method for signature 'pompp_prior'
x$name <- value
```

Arguments

x	The pompp_prior object.
name	The requested slot.
object	The pompp_prior object.
...	Ignored.
value	New value.

Value

names: A character vector with the model parameters names.

'$': The requested slot's value.

'$<-': The new object with the updated slot.

Fields

beta An object of a class which inherits the BetaDeltaPrior S4 class with the appropriate Beta prior.

delta An object of a class which inherits the BetaDeltaPrior S4 class with the appropriate Delta prior.

lambdaStar An object of a class which inherits the LambdaStarPrior S4 class with the appropriate LambdaStar prior.

marksMean An object of S4 class NormalPrior with the chosen prior for the marks mean

marksPrecision An object of S4 class GammaPrior with the chosen prior for the marks precision

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prior	*Build a joint prior for pompp model parameters*

Description

Constructor for pompp_prior objects, which is used in the pompp_fit function. The generated prior is so that Beta, Delta and LambdaStar are indepdendent a priori.

Usage

```
prior(beta, delta, lambdaStar, marksMean, marksPrecision)
```

Arguments

beta	An S4 object whose class inherits from `BetaDeltaPrior`.
delta	An S4 object whose class inherits from `BetaDeltaPrior`.
lambdaStar	An S4 object whose class inherits from `LambdaStarPrior`.
marksMean	An S4 object of class `NormalPrior`.
marksPrecision	An S4 object of class `GammaPrior`.

Value

A `pompp_prior` object with the adequate slots. It is ready to be included in a model via the `pompp_model` function.

See Also

fit_pompp, NormalPrior, GammaPrior and pompp_model.

Examples

```
# Let us say there are 3 intensity covariates and 4 observability covariates.
# One more element is included in both sets due to the intercepts.
new_prior <- prior(
  NormalPrior(rep(0, 4), 10 * diag(4)),
  NormalPrior(rep(0, 5), 10 * diag(5)),
  GammaPrior(0.0001, 0.0001),
  NormalPrior(0, 100), GammaPrior(0.001, 0.001)
)
```

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